

**DECISIONS,  
DECISIONS ...**

# REVIEW:

Week Two - what did you think?

# OUTLINE:

- Week One: CARE - pay attention to decisions
- Week Two: BEWARE - notice the influences on decisions
- **Week Three: COMPARE - discover and commit to The BEST Decision!**

# DISCUSSION:

What does it feel like to make a good decision? A Best decision?

DISCUSSION:

Was it worth the effort?

# DISCUSSION:

Is there always a Best decision?

**YES!**  
**A GOD'S-EYE VIEW**  
**DECISION ...**

BUT - HOW CAN I  
SEE IT LIKE GOD  
DOES?



DISCOVERING  
THE BEST  
DECISION ...



# BEST DECISION

*Wait for more ... Matt 14:14-21*



# BEST DECISION

*Wait for more ... Matt 17:27*



# BEST DECISION

*Focus on something else - 1 Kings 17:1-16*



# BEST DECISION

*Rely on Him, and get through it! Exo 14: 10-16*

# VITAL INGREDIENTS:

# PRUDENCE:

- Prov. 13:16 Every **prudent** man dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open his folly.
- Prov. 14:15 The simple believeth every word: but the **prudent** man looketh well to his going.
- Prov. 22:3 A **prudent** man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.

# DISCRETION:

- Psa. 112:5 A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with **discretion**.
- Prov. 19:11 The **discretion** of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.
- Prov. 2:11 **Discretion** shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee:



REACHING THE  
DECISION ...

**a journey to  
The Promised Land!**

TAKE INVENTORY:  
WHERE YOU'VE BEEN,  
WHERE YOU ARE  
GOING ...

Consider the miracles, bondage - spy out the land.

# WAIT ON THE LORD:

Wander in the Wilderness ...  
the old dies off!

# STAY THE COURSE:

Keep the end in mind;  
Possess the Land!

# TAKE INVENTORY:

3 When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; 4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? 5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour. 6 Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet:

Psalms 8:3-6

# WAIT ON THE LORD:

10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.

11 For behold this selfsame thing, that ye sorrowed after a godly sort, what carefulness it wrought in you, yea, what clearing of yourselves, yea, what indignation, yea, what fear, yea, what vehement desire, yea, what zeal, yea, what revenge! In all things ye have approved yourselves to be clear in this matter.

# STAY THE COURSE:

17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. 18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

James 3:17-18

# TAKE INVENTORY:

Levels 1-5; Influences & Perceptions; Prudence, Discretion ...



# WAIT ON THE LORD:

For something more;  
focus on something different  
Expand your horizons!

# STAY THE COURSE:

Do you REALLY want what God wants?

Fully Persuaded!

HOW?!

Talk to God ...

# DYNAMIC CHALLENGE:

- Is there a BIG decision on the horizon?
- Are you ready to handle it?
- Will you prepare for the Journey?

# EXTRA CREDIT!

- Decisions that make you think ...
- Read about David & Saul - 1 Samuel 15-31
- Read about Joseph - Genesis 37-50
- Read about New Testament Leaders' Decision - Acts 15